REMARKS

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is filed to insert and rename headings to conform the application to U.S. practice, to correct informalities in the specification, claims and abstract resulting from a literal translation of the French text, and to eliminate the use of multiple dependent claims.

Early action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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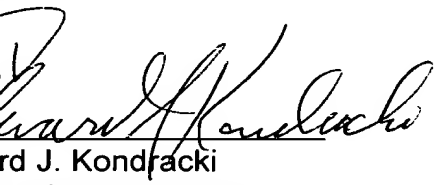
By: 
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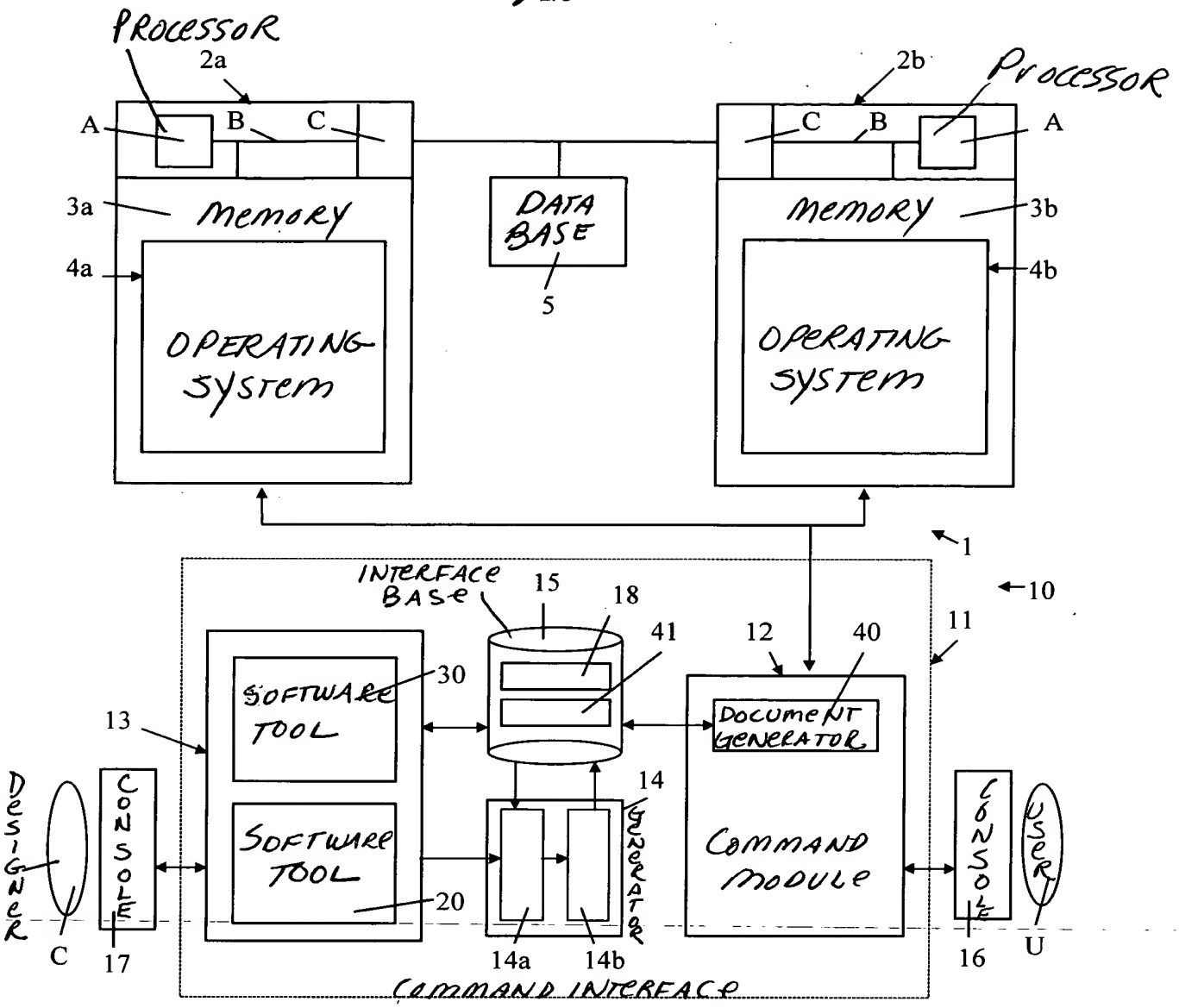
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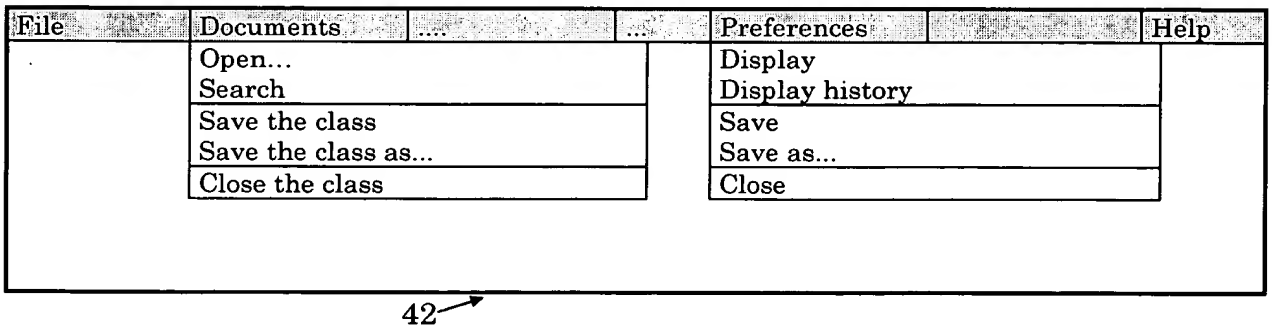
FIG. 1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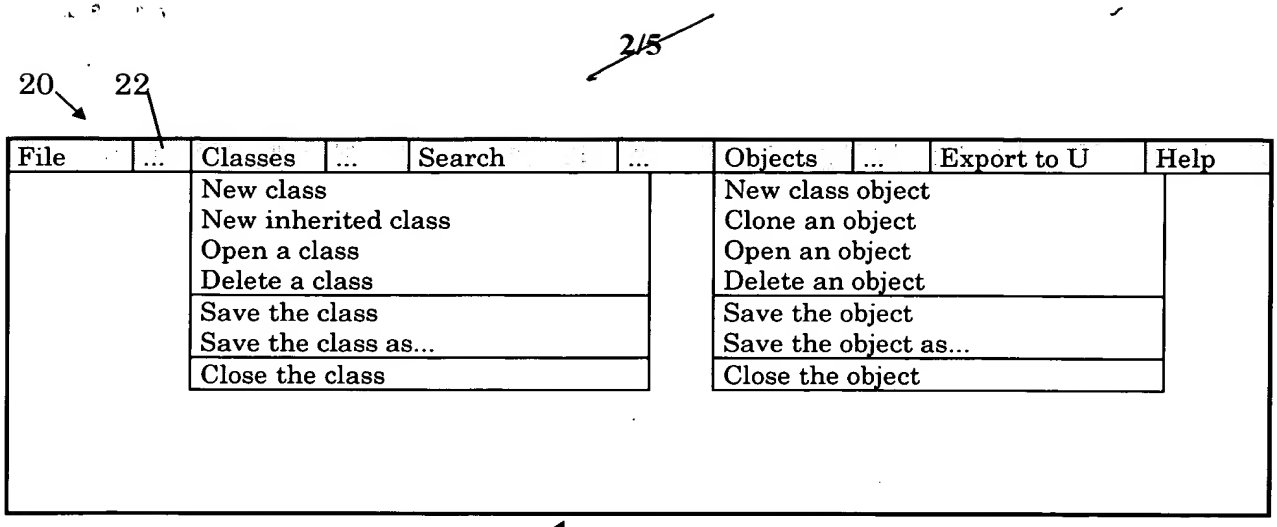
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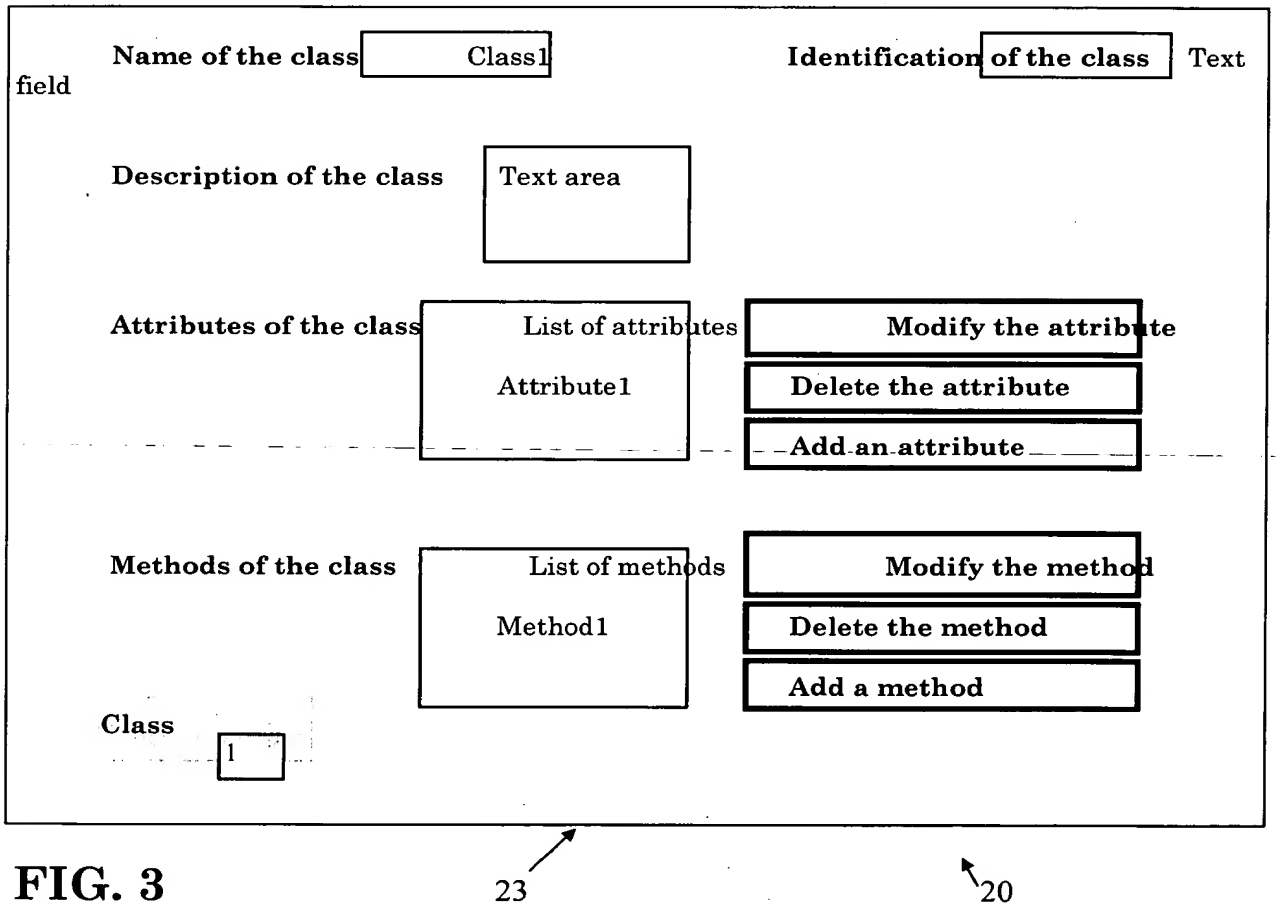
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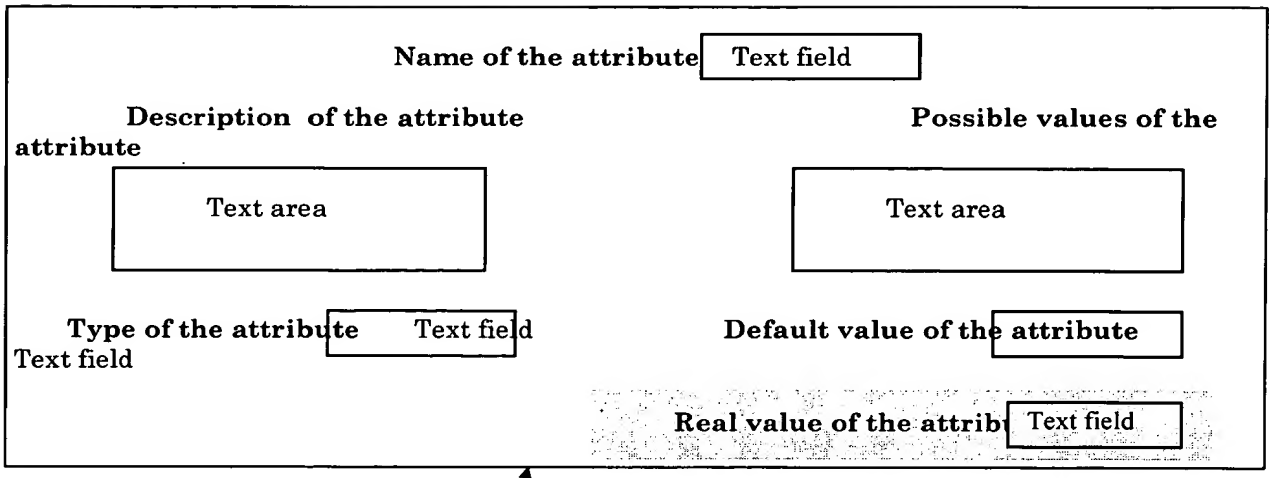

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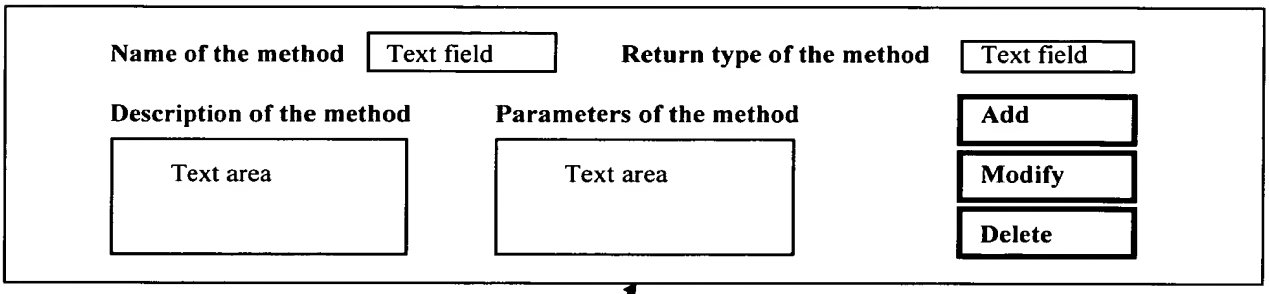

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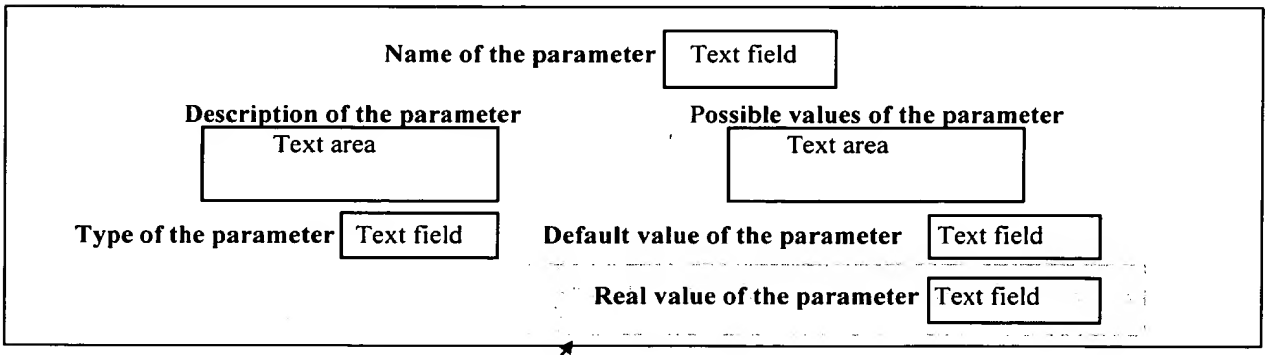

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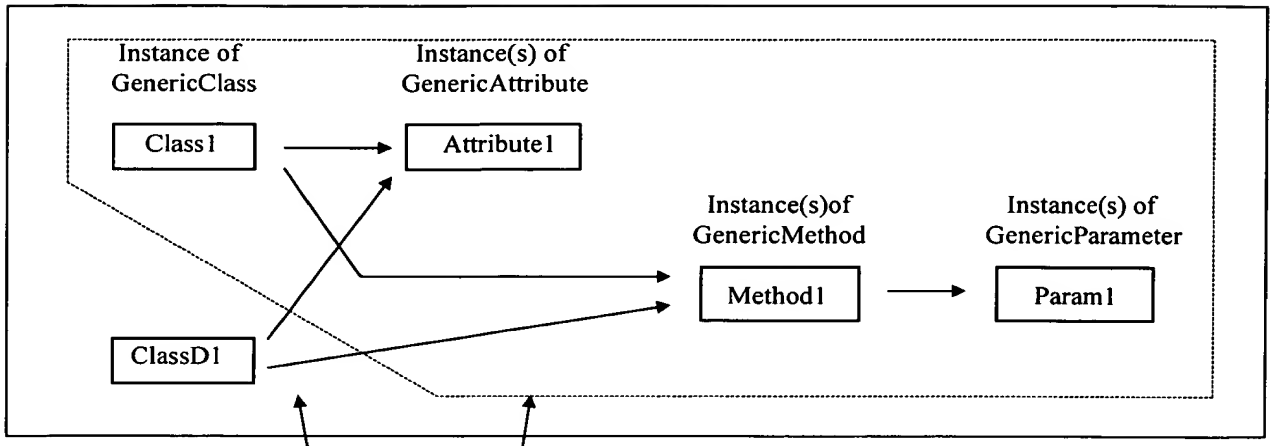

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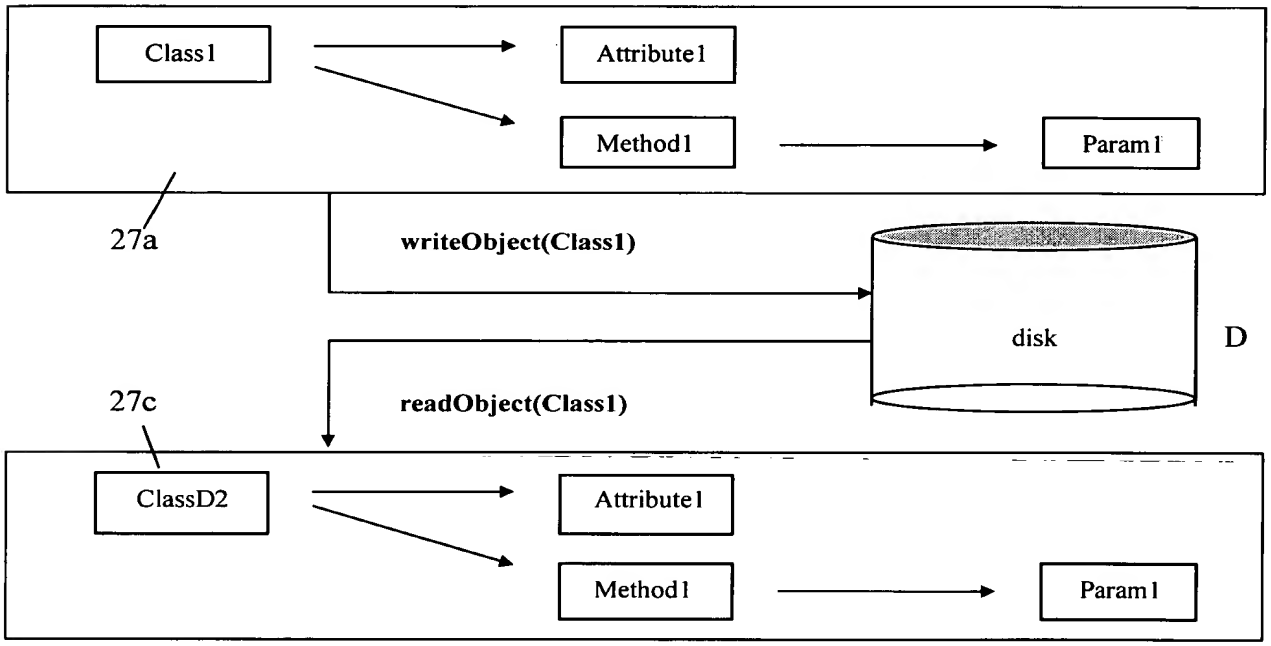

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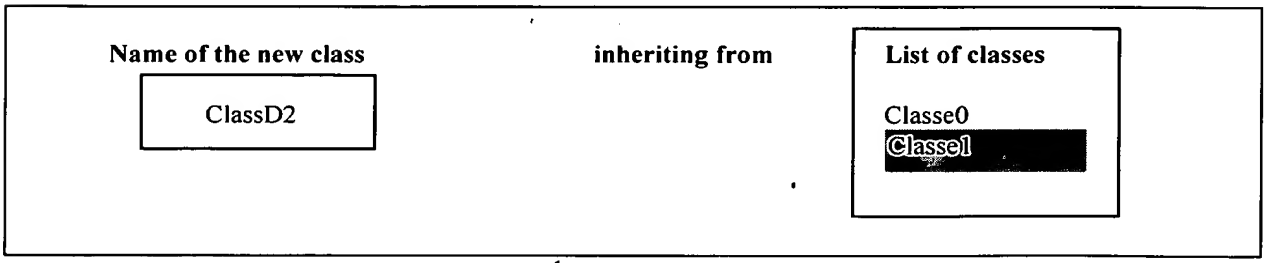

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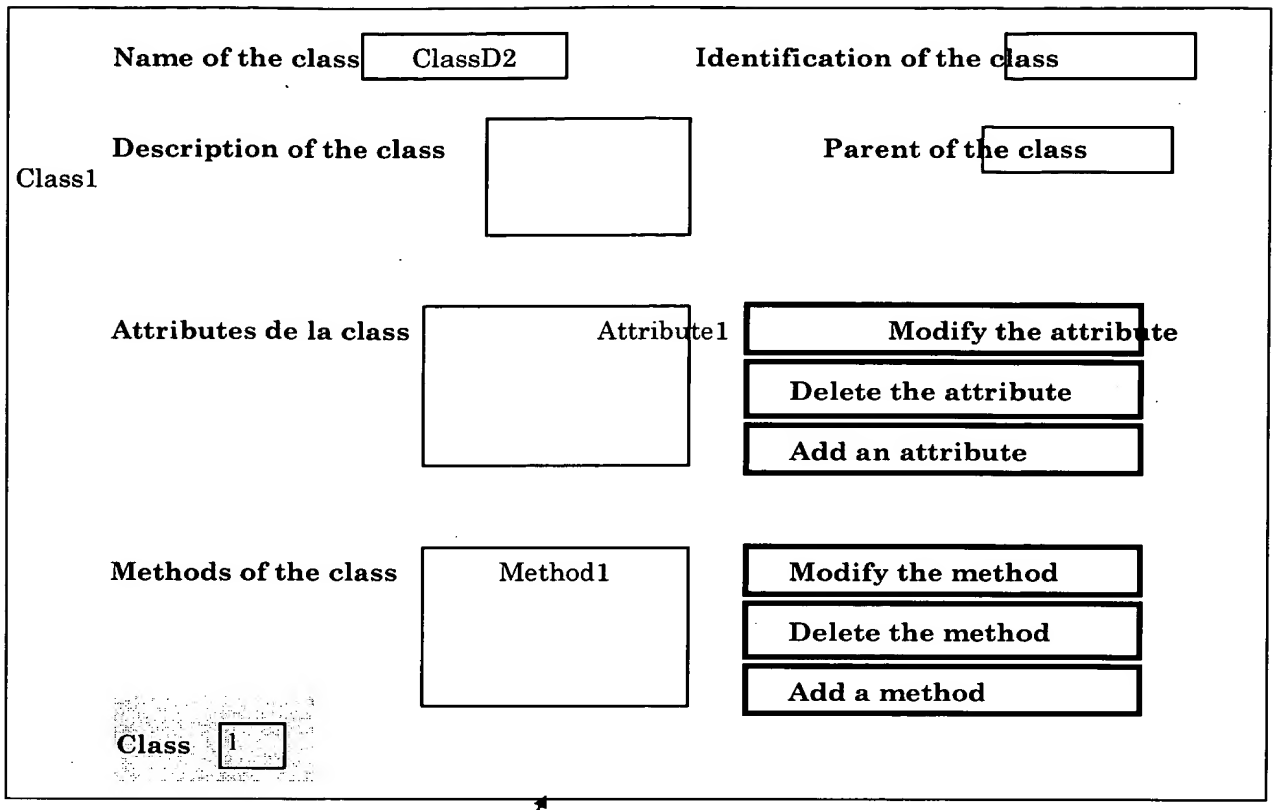

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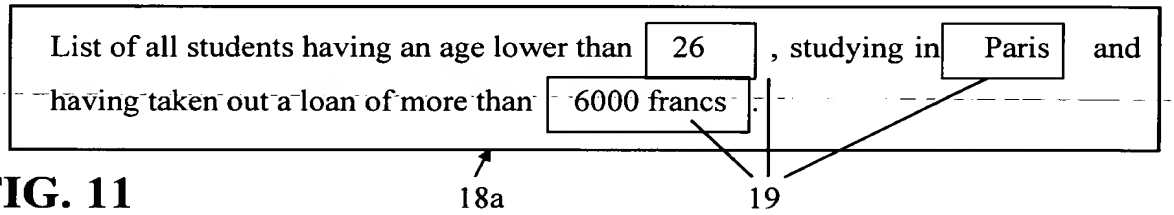

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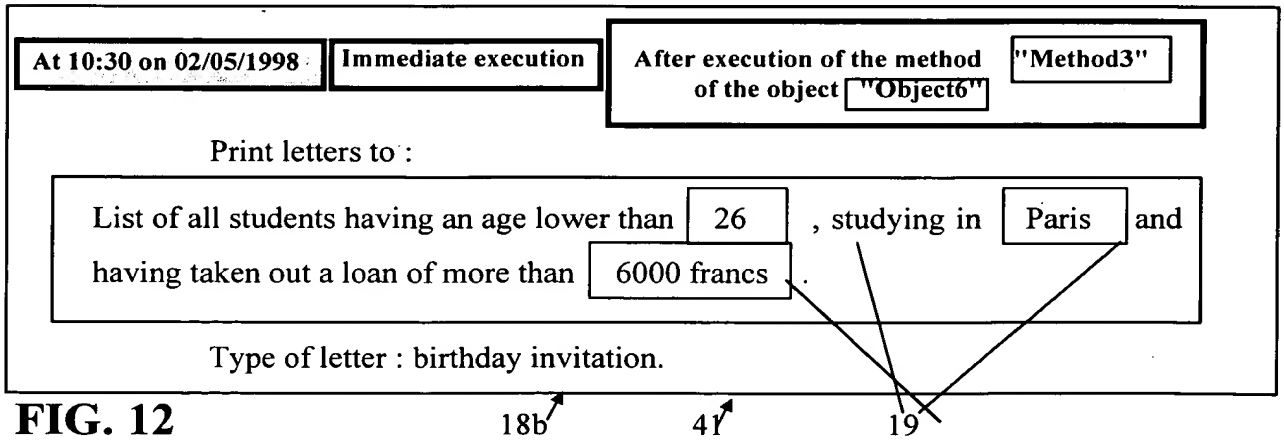

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